Attractions at Crawford Theatre NEXT WEEK

MON.-

TUES.-

WED.

THUR.-

FRI.—

SAT.-

Paramount Cosmopolitan Production "THE FACE IN THE FOG" "And Coffiedy
"Ceasars Ghost"

ANITA STEWART "Her Mad Bargain" COMEDIES
"SHARY FAMILY TREE" and
"UNFERMENTED BRICKS

A Zane Gray Story "GOLDEN DREAMS" Comedy LOOSE NUTS

"Robinson Crusoe No. 6 "GIANTS OF THE OPEN SHORT WEIGHT

Gloria Swanson In "HER GILDED CAGE" "OFF THE EARTH"

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Graham, of Lovington, a sis-of Miss Rebecca Graham, prin-cal of Carisbad High School, was in the city the first of the week.

D. N. and Harry Huston, prominent business men of Lea County, were in from their homes at Loving ton, this week, transacting business.

The Episcopal Women's Guild met with Mrs. Frank Joyce yester-day afternoon, for their regular

Next week JOY WEEK at Crawford Theatre.

icero Stewart spent Wednesday in Roswell on business.

A dance will be given Christmas night by the boys of Troop "B" and they and other dancers are antic-ipating a good time. This will be followed by a masquerade ball on New Years night.

Fred Sproul, the oil man, is in Carlsbad, coming yesterday, and stopping at the Palace. We expect some definite oil news in the very mear future, according to those in a position to konw.

A""bunch" of Miss Theims Nevenger's school friends went out to her home south of town last Saturday night and had a fine time with their schoolmate. Games were played, songs were sung, and at the close of the evening cake and cocea added their charms and all went to their homes in a happy mood, expressing

Boston Witt was in town several days from Lovington, his home, leaving on the return trip this ev-ening, accompanied by his daughter Miss Pattle, who will spend Christwith homefolks.

thanks for a lovely evening.

Miss Jeannette Henderson, who is teaching in the schools of El Paso, is expected to return to the home of her mother, near Malaga, for the Christmas vacation.

Fred Leck has been in town this week from his ranch and will return to the ranch tomorrow accompanied wife and children who will spend Christmas there.

Fred Nymeyer came in Tuesday from his ranch near Eunice, and will apend the holidays with his family.

J. D. Jernigan, an old settler of the Hope community, was a business visitor to the city the middle of the



Merry Christmas



As the Holiday Season, with its spirit of Good Will returns, we wish to convey to each and everyone our Hearty Greetings. May Christmas bring you all the good things you would have it bring, is our sincere wish.

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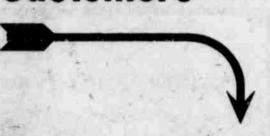












¶ Not because it is an honored custom, but Because of the sincerity of our appreciation of your good will towards us, Our most earnest wish is

That this CHRISTMAS may be your MERRIEST

JOYCE-PRUIT CO.



CHRISTMAS DINNER

EVERY Christmas they in vited one or two to have Christmas dinner with them who would otherwise have been alone. It gave them so much pleasure that they never feit they were being "kindly" nor that they were "doing a real charlty." So that their guests always had a real Christmas with real Christmas cheer, For they never felt that they had been invited, out of kindness, nor out of charity!

SANTA FOR ITALIAN KIDDIES

Befans, Good Fairy, is Supposed to Fill Stockings With Toys on Twelfth Night.

HE charactes in Italian childhood lore corresponding to our Santa Claus is Befana, a good fairy who is supposed to fill the children's stockings with toys on Twelfth Night. She does not, however, come down the chimney, and the stockings are hung in the child's bedroom. When someone enters to fill the stocking, the child, according to a very ancient

practice, cries out "Ecco la Befana."

The legend concerning this lady is that the Magi, while on their way to Bethlehem, stopped at her home, but found her too busy with household affairs to enterthin them. She told them that she would see them on their return, but they went back by another route, and therefore Befana comes out in search of them every Twelfth Night. Her name is a corruption of Epiphany. which is Jan. 6, the tweifth night after Christmas, according to the church calendar.



Christmas Cake Decorations. To make attractive Christmas cake decorations, lightly butter the under side of perfect holly leaves, then cont with icing and let dry. When dry the teing will come off shaped and veined like the leaf. Make into a wreath by joining with icing stems.

NOTICE

Notice is hearly given that a mass meeting is called for 7:30 p. m. at the Chamber of Comme be rooms in the Armory building, on December 28th, 1922. Said meeting being called to elect an entire executive committee and Home Service secretary of the American Red Cross, Eddy County Chapter, for the year 1923. F. E. HUBERT,

Executive Chairman.

KING COTTON IS THE REDEMPTION OF HOPE

It goes without saying that we have been hit hard with the great th, the bank wreck, the slumi in livestock, and the financial dis-tress of the stockmen.

The Hope country has been tested and tried as never before and be it said to the praise and honor of the country and its people, we are still in the ring—are in our corner—and still have both mits on.

There came a proposition from the good people of Carisbad for us foplant five hundred acres of cotton and they would built a gin to prepare the product for the market. These business men are not experimentors, for at Carlsbad they have tried out the cotton question for several years and it has proven the sta-

ple crop for the cash.
Immediately Hope gos busy and commissioned John Grant, a practical cotton grower, to see the farmers and secure the acreage needed to insure the gin, and it is needless to say the corton will be planted and the gin will be running full time

when the crop is ready.

A little experiment was made the past year. W. A. Moore made a bale on three acres of dry land, 1350 pounds of seed cotton making 530 pounds of lint, which sold for twenty-five and one half cents per pound. the seed brought \$12.50, at the rate the seed brought \$12.50, at the rate of \$32.90 per ton. The cotton brought Mr. Moore the neat sum of

\$138.58. If such results may be obtained with such little preparation of the soil—and in the dryest year we have ever had-what may not be done with land well prepared and good

John Grant grew three balos. The seed alone brought \$48.00 and the cotton \$356.36, a total of \$404.36.
All the above cotton brought top price of the markel, as it was Derango Long Staple.

By noon Wednesday John Grant secured pledges for 580 acres and thought before the end of the week he could easily get one thousand— Penasco Valley Press.

The sinner who openly swears like a pirate may still be about as greet as the deacon who rips them out it the privacy of his own wood shed.

